

## **REMARKS**

This Amendment is submitted supplementary to the previous Amendment and in connection with the interview with the Examiner.

The Examiner's highly beneficial cooperation during the interview has been gratefully acknowledged.

During the interview it was indicated that the claims distinguished over the art, however, they have to be clarified. In connection with this, and in the present Amendment, applicants amended the claims to more clearly define the present invention and to further distinguish it from the prior art.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be

passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,

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